

18 February 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: SE-37: PROBABLE EFFECTS OF VARIOUS POSSIBLE
COURSES OF ACTION WITH RESPECT TO
COMMUNIST CHINA

1. The IAC representatives have agreed on the attached terms of reference. Work on contributions is proceeding with a view to submitting these contributions to the Office of National Estimates by close of business Friday, 19 February.

2. The Air Force may recommend some expansion in the present scope of the discussion of Chinese Nationalist capabilities. (Section VI, page 12) All other agencies, however, wish to restrict this as much as possible. The feeling generally is that any broader treatment of Chinese Nationalist capabilities is outside the scope of this estimate.

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*This shown to &
discussed with Mr.
Becker by SIK
on 19 Feb*